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NEWARK, N. J., MONDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1912.

RAIN OR SNOW TONIGHT OR TUESDAY.

## BROTHERS PERISH AS SALOON, WITH TENEMENT, BURNS

Morris and Frank  
Sheehan, of West  
Orange, Suffocate.

ONE STOPS FOR MONEY,  
OTHER TO DRESS SELF

Firemen Powerless in Effort to  
Rescue Men Unconscious in  
Burning Building.

Morris Sheehan, 38 years old, and his brother Frank, 30, were suffocated early today in a fire that destroyed the two-and-a-half-story building, 11 White street, West Orange, where Morris conducted a saloon and where both brothers lived.

The body of Morris was found behind his bar after the fire had been extinguished. He had evidently succumbed as he tried to save the contents of his cash register. Frank, who was bartender in the saloon, lost his life because of his unwillingness to make a dash for safety in his night clothes. He attempted to dress himself and died drawing on his trousers as he sat on the side of his bed.

**Policemen Discover Flames.**

The fire was discovered at 3:20 a. m. by Sergeant McDonough and Patrolman McCormick, who stood on a nearby corner. McCormick turned in an alarm and then both officers rushed to the burning building. The structure is nearly a century old. It was built for a school and was dry as tinder. By the time the policemen reached it the fire had made such headway that they were unable to enter.

When the fire engines arrived shortly afterward there was no hope of saving the old structure, and the firemen found it impossible to make their way in.

While the fire fighters were at work an aged woman, greatly excited, rushed over to them and exclaimed: "Both the Sheehan boys are in the house!"

She was Mrs. McConnell, who keeps a boarding house in White street opposite the saloon. The two victims of the fire took their meals at her place.

Desperate attempts were made by firemen to enter the burning building, but heat drove them back.

Within a half hour scarcely anything remained of the building but the walls. The firemen crept in and found Morris's body behind the bar on the ground floor. Above, hanging in a floor timber, was the body of the other brother, blackened and scorched.

The Sheehans are survived by a brother, Thomas, who lives in Littlewain avenue, West Orange, and a sister, Mrs. Andrew Dunn, of 62 Valley street, Orange.

The building was owned by the Holy estate. The fire department believes the fire was caused by an overheated stove.

## TEACHERS TO KICK FOR SALARY RAISE

Schoolma'ams of Fifth and  
Sixth Grades Want \$100  
More Yearly.

Disatisfied with their present salaries, the fifth and sixth grade public school teachers, 250 in number, will tonight make a demand upon the Board of Education for an increase of \$100 a year. This increase, if it is granted, will then place the teachers in the question of salary, with the instructors of the higher grades.

The demand will be presented to the teachers' committee of the board in the form of a petition bearing the signatures of all the teachers affected. They contend that their work is harder than that of the teachers in the lower grades, who at the present time receive the same salary, and just as wearing as those in the upper grades, who receive \$100 more a year. The minimum salary for the fifth and sixth grade teachers is \$580 a year, and the maximum \$1,100. They want it raised to \$680 and \$1,200, the same as the seventh and eighth grade instructors. The amount involved is approximately \$25,000.

It is understood that the board will take the stand that nothing can be done at this time, inasmuch as the budget for the year has already been made up. Even if the board members allowed the increase, it could not go into effect before the next school year.

It is rumored that if this demand is granted by the board, the upper grade teachers will also petition for an increase.

## DERELICT VESSEL TOWED TO PORT; CREW IS MISSING

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—With its crew of six missing, the three-masted schooner Henry R. Tilton, abandoned and waterlogged, arrived off Cape Cod today in tow of the steam trawler Swell, which picked up the derelict ninety-five miles southeast of Highland Light. The Tilton was bound from Windsor, N. S., for New York with lumber.

The Swell's crew of fifteen men will share in one of the biggest Christmas presents, through salvage money, that has ever been divided among fishermen here.

## PLEASE, SANTA, COME FROM NORTH POLE TO HELP US, WRITES BOY



Dorothy Morely. Dorothy Taylor.

Almost Beyond Expectation Has Come the Public's Generous Response to the Evening Star Empty Stocking Club's Call, McGregor Company Will Supply Suits for Kiddies.

**BY ADELINE CARRICK WELLS**

SPLENDID has been the response to our appeals for aid for the forlorn kiddies who are so very dubious as to Santa Claus's appearance on Christmas morning.

But the hopeful little, and little letters are still coming in, and so that not one may be disappointed we want every person who can possibly afford it to join immediately the Evening Star's Empty Stocking Club, to become a full-fledged member of which you are merely required to drop us a line—or call us on the phone—declaring that you are prepared to make happy at least one deserving child whose name and address will be promptly sent to you.

It's not much to do in this name. A half-dollar will accomplish miracles in a five and ten-cent store in the way of toys and games and such. Or it will provide one of those warm-knit caps that come over the ears, or stockings, or mittens, or oranges and candy.

**If You Can't Spend Money, Send Clothes.**

And if even fifty cents is more than you can spare, why, we get lots and lots of letters asking just for clothes from boys and girls who've never dared wish for anything "foolish."

But it seems to me that they're the very ones who ought to have a wee bit of foolishness, along with the clothes. Don't you think so?

The McGregor Company made a most generous offer today of several suits of clothes for small boys who needed them. Isn't that great? A brand new suit for a boy who's probably never known such a luxury. Let's wish the McGregor folk a particularly merry Christmas. Small

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## CHARGE COLLUSION IN BANKRUPT SALE

Referee Adams Sets Aside Auction of the Postkraft Assets.

Satisfied beyond a doubt by the confession of Harry E. Burr that collusion had been practiced to stifle competition in the sale of the Postkraft assets, Referee Adams today set the sale aside. A new sale will now be ordered.

The hearing today was the result of objections filed by David Bobker against the confirmation of the sale. Mr. Bobker is attorney for W. Locke Rockwell, trustee.

Burr was called to the stand following a statement made by Adolph Greenfield, an auctioneer, at a previous hearing on the objections. Greenfield admitted that Burr had given him \$250 when asked for what reason the money had been paid. Greenfield said that Burr could explain.

Burr calmly admitted today that he gave Greenfield the money on the latter's guarantee to keep the bidding under \$250. Burr's admission created consternation among his counsel.

He had told them he could explain the transaction and they had not looked for this admission. After he had left the stand Burr wanted to make a further explanation. He said that when he had been paid \$250, he had refused to state who gave it to him.

When asked why he was given the money he said it was "his profit for staying away from the sale." Attorney Bobker said today that, at least one other man had been paid to hold down the price of the assets, which were sold at public auction on December 4. After the sale several men who were unable to be present offered the trustee a much larger sum than the price paid by the successful bidder. Attorney Bobker then moved for a new sale.

Clarence H. Hedden now holds the trustee's title to the assets. He paid \$250 for them at the objectionable sale. Now that a new sale has been ordered Burr is wondering how to get his \$115 back.

In setting aside the sale Referee Adams said: "There is evidence before the court to show that there was a deliberate attempt carried out to stifle the competition at this sale. This practice must be discouraged. The trustees would be justified in bringing action to bring punishment upon the originators of such a scheme."

Read the advertisements as carefully as you do the news.

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Three auto bandits who engineered a daring and all but successful jail delivery from the women's section of the Essex county jail are being sought by the police today.

With these men waiting in a touring car outside for them, six girl prisoners twisted a thick iron window bar from its socket and bent it aside, cut their way through a wire netting, saved open six-inch shutter bars and tore two others out bodily.

They tied a twenty-foot rope ladder, made of torn blankets, to another bar and were ready to slide two stories to liberty.

The signal had been given from the outside; the automobile, engine running, was ready to dash up and pick them up, and there was little danger of discovery.

But a gang of happy schoolboys, intent on planning the best way to spend their Christmas holidays, noisily picked out the corner of Newark and New streets for a rendezvous exactly at 7 o'clock Saturday night, when the girls were ready to flee.

All unconscious that they were hindering a jail delivery, the boys amused themselves noisily for an hour. During that time two of the fuming men twice tried inconspicuously to make the gang move on.

**Girls Held Conference.**

The girls, baffled by this development, must have held a conference, for four of them returned to their cells and made up bedclothes dummies in their coats.

Bessie Wilson, who is held as a witness in an automobile theft case involving three men, slipped into the cell of Mrs. Helen Waller, a convicted bigamist.

**Four Held in Detention Room.**

The four others, Mrs. Maria Nelson, who is also a witness in the auto case; Elizabeth Mahan, a 17-year-old girl, of Orange, who once escaped from the Orange Memorial Hospital after a fake attempt at suicide; Millie Shuretta, who is held as a witness against "Sal," a charged with murdering her husband, and Rose Maurer, who is charged with misconduct, hid in the witness detention room at the end of the corridor. It was in this room that the window bar had been loosened and bent and the other preparations made.

The hurried plans must have been completed just at 8 o'clock, when Keeper Hollis shouted his usual warning, "All in your cells."

The locks were then set for the night. Mrs. Waller, however, asked and obtained special permission from Mrs. John McGuinness, the matron, to take a bath.

After waiting for what she deemed a sufficient time, Mrs. McGuinness went to the bathroom for the girl and found her gone. She hurried back, surmising that something was amiss. She looked into the cell of Bessie Wilson and the girl apparently asleep in bed.

"Are you asleep already, Bessie?" she asked.

Bessie didn't answer and the matron put her hand through the bars and plucked at the bedclothes. Then she found she had been talking to a dummy made of blankets and a pillow. She rushed into the still open cell of Mrs. Waller, found the cell empty and then, looking beneath the blanket, found Mrs. Waller and Bessie Wilson crouching there.

The alarm was given. In the witness room the other four were found.

**Screen Cut, Bar Bent.**

A careful examination of the window revealed the fact that the girls had raised one of the seven heavy three-quarter inch iron bars from its socket and bent it to one side. The screen outside had been cut cleanly with a knife, although no blade or saw could be found when the cells were searched.

The shutter is built of six-inch boards nailed into slanting sockets. Two of the pieces had been shoved out and allowed to fall into the yard, and a third, which had stuck, had been cleanly cut in half with a saw.

The improvised rope, which was twenty feet long and just reached to the ground, had been made from a double blanket, torn in strips.

Descending it the six would have found themselves in the jail yard, with a sixteen-foot fence separating them from the street. The gate, which is comparatively easy to scale, was demonstrated in the recent escape of five men from the jail.

"It was really that crowd of boys celebrating their Christmas vacation, I suppose, that prevented the jail escape," said Mrs. McGuinness today.

"The attempt was to have been made between 7 and 8 o'clock, I am sure. But the boys stopped that."

"These boys, as we found afterwards, had seen two men walking up and down from 7 o'clock on. An automobile with one man in it was waiting a little way down the street."

Bessie Wilson later confessed, it is said, that the three men had aided them and were waiting to carry them away. None of the six will be allowed to see visitors until a thorough probe is concluded.

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## AUTO BANDIT TRIO 'SOUGHT IN GIRLS' JAIL-BREAK PLOT

Auto Awaited Outside of Newark Jail Walls.

BOYS PLAYING ON CORNER PREVENTED BOLD DELIVERY

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The boys, who were arrested by Plainclothesmen in Kaas, of the Fourth precinct, today are Joseph Smith, 12 years old, of 182 Charlton street; Frank Pavlovick, 8 years old, of 156 Belmont avenue; Fred Billand, 10 years old, of 163 Boyd street, and John Teske, 13 years old, of 290 Belmont avenue, who, the boys said, inspired their raid on the school.

The boys, according to their own story, were bawling the fact yesterday afternoon that Christmas had come upon them to find them in such an indigent state. There wasn't the price of admittance to a movie show in the crowd. Then, the youngsters told Kaas, Teske had an inspiration, and they expected to find money hidden behind or within them, but for pure love of destruction, and even rummaged through the tools in the janitor's locker.

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He had been alternating between confectionery stores and moving picture shows all morning, he said.

All the boys have had reputations, the police say, and have been arrested as truants, for malicious mischief and for small thefts on different occasions.

## BOYS RAID SCHOOL, SMASH DESKS, GET AWAY WITH CASH

Quartet of Child-Burglars Confess to Police.

EIGHTEENTH AVENUE BUILDING ENTERED

Culprits Break Window in Principal's Office and Go on Tour of Destruction.

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**Ex-Millionaire Jailed as Forger**

Eugene H. Schlange, once with a half million and the former husband of a daughter of Adolphus Busch, the Louisville brewer, was arrested at his home, 681 Columbus avenue, New York, by Lieutenants Quinn and Kuhn today, charged with the forgery of a check for \$48.96.

The complainant is William H. Boyden, of 46 William street. He says that he cashed the alleged forged check for Schlange while Schlange was living with him here last September.

A few years ago Schlange was arrested on a charge of forgery by Lieutenant Tulte. He was committed to the Rahway Reformatory and while there his wife divorced him.

**Experts Testify on Water Audit**

J. E. Sterrett, of Price, Waterhouse & Co., the experts who conducted an audit of the water department, was a witness before the grand jury today in the investigation of the department which followed the findings of the experts.

W. E. Allen, the accountant who made the audit, will also be a witness. They will be asked merely to give the grand jury information which will tend to show the scope of the investigation.

**KILLED FOR POSTCARD**

QUITMAN, Ga., Dec. 23.—David Waldron, of Screven, was killed by Bryant Folsom because of a suggestive picture postcard sent by Waldron to Folsom's sister.

**\$150,000 GROCERY BURNS**

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., Dec. 23.—The wholesale grocery house of Thrall & Co., Third and Hepburn streets, was destroyed by fire. The loss on the building and its contents is estimated at \$150,000, partially covered by insurance.

## India's Viceroy, Victim of Bomb



Baron Hardinge.

**MELLEN INDICTED WITH TWO GRAND TRUNK R. R. HEADS**

Charged with Combining to Monopolize Traffic.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Charles S. Mellen, president of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad; E. J. Chamberlin, president of the Grand Trunk railway, of Canada, and Alfred W. Smithers, chairman of the C. and N. Y. Trunk board of directors, were indicted by the federal grand jury this afternoon charged with violating the Sherman anti-trust law in the alleged monopoly agreement between the two roads.

The indictment avers that Mellen, Chamberlin and Smithers were engaged on August 3, 1912, and have since engaged in an unlawful combination to prevent the construction and completion of certain extensions of the Grand Trunk railway into New England.

It is also charged they conspired to prevent the operation of steamships between Providence and New York and transportation of persons and property in interstate and foreign commerce over these lines of railroads and steamships.

Seven overt acts are alleged by the government. It is charged the defendants met in New York on August 5, 1912, and discussed a memorandum theretofore exchanged between Messrs. Chamberlin and Mellen, which provided that the Grand Trunk should sell the New Haven system and interest in the Central Railroad of Vermont and its subsidiaries, which would include all the proposed extensions into New England.

The second overt act alleged embraces a charge that Chamberlin wrote to Vice-President J. E. Dail, president of the Grand Trunk, saying that he and Smithers had had a satisfactory interview with Mellen, and it was agreed that Dail and Benjamin Campbell, of the New Haven, should meet quietly in Mellen's offices and discuss new divisions of New England business.

The third overt act alleged that the defendants held further meeting in New York city on September 20 of this year; the fourth that they held another meeting in New York in October; the fifth that at this last mentioned meeting Mellen presented a memorandum of the agreement providing, among other things, that the Grand Trunk "is to retain the Central Vermont and the existing controlled lines and continue its existing business as at present."

The sixth overt act alleged is that Mellen caused the withdrawal of a petition previously filed by his directors with the Public Service Commission of New Hampshire asking authority to extend one of the New Haven lines paralleling and competing with a portion of the Central Vermont railway.

The seventh overt act set forth is that on October 9, 1912, Chamberlin caused the work of constructing a line from Palmer, Mass., to Providence, R. I., to be abandoned.

None of the defendants was represented in court when the indictment was handed up, but counsel for the government said that all three would surrender themselves within a few days, notwithstanding the fact that Messrs. Smithers and Chamberlin are not residents of the United States.

Mr. Smithers's headquarters are in London; Mr. Chamberlin's in Montreal.

## BOMB NEARLY ENDS LIFE OF INDIA VICEROY

Baron Hardinge Wounded as Royal Pageant Passes Through Narrow Street During State Entry Into Delhi, Empire's New Capital.

## ONE ATTENDANT IS KILLED

DELHI, India, Dec. 23.

THE Viceroy and Vicereine of India, Baron and Baroness Hardinge, miraculously escaped assassination today by a native fanatic while making their ceremonial entry into Delhi, the new imperial capital of India.

Three splinters of the powerful bomb which killed one native attendant and injured another penetrated the back and shoulders of the viceroy, and he was also wounded in the neck by the screws with which the bomb was filled and which passed through his helmet.

The doctors who removed the metal splinters from the wounds declared it marvelous that the viceroy escaped fatal injuries.

Lady Hardinge immediately after the explosion asked her husband if he was hurt. The viceroy replied, "I am all right; go on."

The elephant on which they were riding halted, and the viceroy tried to stand up but reeled and fainted, and the officials who gathered around had much difficulty in removing him from the elephant's back.

The howdah in which he and Lady Hardinge had been seated was blown into matchwood.

The viceroy will soon be able to leave the hospital for the viceregal lodge.

The umbrella-bearer who was killed had acted in that capacity for Lord Curzon.

The bomb-thrower has not yet been caught. A reward of 10,000 rupees (approximately \$3,300) has been offered for his arrest.

The bomb-thrower's attempt to kill Baron Hardinge came within a hair's breadth of being successful.